Program Timeline

(* = "drop dead" dates)

budget issues, policies, assemble staff, space allocation

August start working up people and item ideas and basic events/skeleton of con August-Oct work up questionnaires, invite letter, web-work, database design details, +

late Sept contact Guests for ideas and preferences (*late Oct.)

Sept. - Oct assemble first program participant invite list, get comments

mid Nov. Initial program (invite and questionnaire) mailing sent out (*late Dec.) winter-spring invite additional participants, in response to letters+. Get advice, etc.

early March PR text?

winter-spring produce and mail "no thanks" letters

spring continue panel development - initial précis writing

mid May "Program frenzy"- start "initial" scheduling on board (*late May)

May/June transfer info from board to computer

May/July keep working on schedule (as additional responses come in, etc.)

Précis writing (continues....) Tie-down "special" items, etc.

June? check/correct text for PRs and program book?

Late June mail program schedules to program participants (*last week July)

July -August make *sure* technical and/or special room (etc.) needs are being attended to.

and (sublet?) items and "events" are under control. Fix as necessary.

August reschedule and fine tune everything

August *format* of pocket program ready for comment

Mid August "final" schedule to program participants (*late August)

Late August final tuning (room sizes, side-by-side conflicts, tech issues, etc.)

Late August Schedule of program to nets (with caveats)

Late August Schedule solid to Pocket Program. Produce. (*five days before con?)

end August (*Tues. night pre-con)

Produce at-con letter, schedules

Produce signs/badge labels, tent cards/etc.

Label Program participant badges

gather and pack Green Room/Ops and other/unusual? supplies (*at con)

CONVENTION

mid Sept. Thank you notes to staff (*late September)

Late Sept. Thank you notes (mid October)

???January reimbursements to participants/staff (*mid March?)